

# NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Roy Cooper, Governor

Anthony M. Copeland, Secretary

September 11, 2018

Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Victor Gaither Vice President, High Cost Program Universal Service Administrative Company 2000 L Street, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036

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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 10-90, Annual State Certification of Support of Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, the North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority (NCREA) hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company that the following telecommunications carriers are eligible to receive high-cost support for the program years cited.

Company Name	Study Area Code	
Atlantic TMC	230468	
Piedmont TMC	230497	
Randolph TMC	230496	
Skyline TMC	230501	
Star TMC	230502	
Surry TMC	230503	
Tri County TMC	230505	
Wilkes TMC	230510	
Yadkin Valley TMC	230511	

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The NCREA certifies for the carriers listed all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within North Carolina was used in the preceding calendar year (2017) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2019) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended. 1

Frances Liles

Administrator

919-814-4696

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(a) ("Certification. States that desire eligible telecommunications carriers to receive support pursuant to the high-cost program must file an annual certification with the Administrator and the Commission stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within the State was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. High-cost support shall only be provided to the extent that the State has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.")

### NORTH CAROLINA

### Affidavit

### BEAUFORT COUNTY

Gregory S Coltrain, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

- 1. He is Chief Executive Officer for Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
- 2. He is familiar that all federal high-cost support provided to Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 30 day of August 2018

TRI-COUNTY TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

Chief Executive Office

NORTH CAROLINA

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT** 

BEAUFORT COUNTY

I, Coltrain, after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is Chief Executive Officer of Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 30 day of August 2018.

Notary Public

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### Affidavit

**Surry County** 

Curtis R. Taylor, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

- 1. He is Chief Executive Officer for Surry Telephone Membership Corporation dba Piedmont Telephone, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
- 2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support to be received by Surry Telephone Membership Corporation dba Piedmont Telephone during the next calendar year and that such federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This \_\_\_\_ day of June, 2018.

SURRY TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

By: Chief Executive Officer

NORTH CAROLINA

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT** 

SURRY COUNTY

Notary Public

(NOTARY SEAL)

My commission expires: June 1, 2021

NOTARY PUBLIC SURRY COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA ELIZABETH H JOHNSON

### **Affidavit**

**Surry County** 

Curtis R. Taylor, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

- 1. He is Chief Executive Officer for Surry Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
- 2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support to be received by Surry Telephone Membership Corporation during the next calendar year and that such federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This  $\underline{\mathcal{A}}$  day of June 2018.

SURRY TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

By: Chief Executive Officer

NORTH CAROLINA

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT** 

**SURRY COUNTY** 

> Ecjabath H. Johnson Notary Public

(NOTARY SEAL)

My commission expires: June 1, 2021

NOTARY PUBLIC SURRY COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA ELIZABETH H JOHNSON

### **Affidavit**

Wilkes County

Eric Cramer, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

- 1. He is CEO/General Manager for Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
- 2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support received by Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation. He further certifies that said support was used in the preceding year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 10 th day of August 2018.

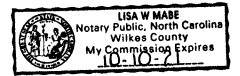
WILKES TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

**NORTH CAROLINA** 

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT** 

**WILKES COUNTY** 

I, Lisa W Mabe \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public hereby certify that Eric Cramer, after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is CEO/General Manager of Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2018.



Notary Public

My commission expires: 10-10-21



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North Carolina

**Brunswick County** 

### **Affidavit**

Keith Holden, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

- 1. He is Chief Executive Officer and General Manager for Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
- 2. All federal high-cost support provided to Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 7th day of August 2018

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	Chief Exec	utive Officer	and General Manager

North Carolina

**Brunswick County** 

### Acknowledgement

I, leresa being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is Chief Executive Officer and General Manager of Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 7th day of August 2018.

Notary Public

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### **AFFIDAVIT**

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF RANDOLPH

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, appeared Kimberly L. Garner, who deposed and said:

- 1. My name is Kimberly L. Garner. I am employed by Randolph Telephone Membership Corporation dba Randolph Communications as its CEO/ General Manager. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.
- Randolph Communications hereby certifies that all federal high-cost and CAF support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the new calendar year only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Signature: Kimhall

Title:

CEO/General Manager

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF RANDOLPH

Acknowledged before me this 7th day of September, 2018 by Kimberly L. Garner, as CEO/General Manager of Randolph Communications, who is personally known to me or produced identification and who did take an oath.

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My commission expires March 30, 2022.



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North Carolina Ashe County

### Affidavit

Cindy Rothstein, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

- 1. She is Executive Director of Finance for SkyLine Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation, and that she is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
- 2. All federal high-cost support provided to SkyLine Telephone Membership Corporation was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This <u>10th</u> day of September 2018.

SKYLINE TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

By: Cindy Kothstein

Cindy Rothstein, Executive Director of Finance

North Carolina Ashe County

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

I, Pamela Tribble Weaver, a Notary Public hereby certify that Cindy Rothstein, after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that she is Executive Director of Finance for SkyLine Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that she is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of SkyLine Telephone Membership Corporation.

With Early Finance for SkyLine Telephone Membership Corporation.

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Notary Public

My commission expires: 07-24-2021



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**NORTH CAROLINA** YADKIN COUNTY

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

Mitzie S. Branon, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

- 1. She is Chief Executive Officer for Yadkin Valley Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that she is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
- 2. She is aware of the federal high-cost support received by Yadkin Valley Telephone Membership Corporation. All federal high-cost provided to Yadkin Valley Telephone Membership Corporation was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This being the	10th	day of	September	, of the year	2018
YADKIN VALLEY TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION					
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**NORTH CAROLINA** YADKIN COUNTY

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I, Emily H. Conley , a Notary Public hereby certify that Mitzie S. Branon, after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that she is the Chief Executive Officer of Yadkin Valley Telephone Membership Corporation, and the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that she is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Yadkin Valley Telephone Membership Corporation.

Witness my hand and seal this	10thday of	September	, of the year	
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		Notary Public Sign	natare	<u> </u>
EMILY H. CONLEY  Notary Public, North Carolina  OTARY SEAWadkin County  My Commission Expires	My commission	on expires:	15/2022	0

Sampson County

Jeffrey A. Nethercutt, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

- 1. He is Executive Vice President and General Manager of Star Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation, and he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
- 2. All federal high-cost support provided to **Star Telephone Membership Corporation** was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018.

STAR TELEPHONE/MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

Bv:

The President and General Manager

North Carolina

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** 

Sampson County

I, <u>kor</u>; P. Pearson a Notary Public hereby certify that Jeffrey A. Nethercutt after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is General Manager of Star Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Star Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this <u>loth</u> day of September 2018.

Loui P. Planson

Notary Public

(NOTARY SEAL)

Lori P. Pearson Notary Public Sampson County North Carolina

My commission expires: April 10, 2022